

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADA

St Luke's Health System LTD, St
Lukes Regional Medical Center LTD,
Chris Roth, Natasha Erickson, MD,
Tracy Jungman

Plaintiffs,

vs.

Ammon Bundy, Ammon Bundy for
Governor, Diego Rodriguez,
Freedom Man PAC, Peoples Rights
Network, Freedom Man Press LLC
Defendants.

Case No. CV01-22-06789

ORDER APPOINTING DISCOVERY
MASTER OR REFEREE

Pursuant to Rule 53 of the Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and good cause appearing from the Motion to Appoint Discovery Referee, with its memorandum and affidavit filed in support, all filed on April 3, 2023, the Court GRANTS the Motion to Appoint Discovery Referee.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Senior Judge Cheri Copsey is appointed as Discovery Referee or Master (hereinafter "Discovery Referee") in accordance with the following terms.

1. Except as otherwise expressly stated herein, the Discovery Referee shall hear and resolve in the first instance any and all discovery issues and disputes between Plaintiffs and Diego Rodriguez, including but not limited to the imposition of sanctions. The Discovery Referee has authority to determine scope, timing, extent, nature, responsiveness, and other details of discovery requests, responses, and objections. However, the Discovery Referee shall not have the authority to entertain or dispose of any non-discovery, substantive, or dispositive motions.

2. The parties shall bring all discovery disputes and motions first to the Discovery Referee.

3. Except as may be prescribed by the Discovery Referee, the parties shall adhere to the Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure with respect to the form, content, and timing of all motions, memoranda, affidavits or declarations, and exhibits submitted to



the Discovery Referee. All motions, memoranda, exhibits, affidavits or declarations prepared pursuant to this paragraph shall be served on all parties and the Discovery Referee at the same time and by the same method of service. The party initiating the motion shall call the Discovery Referee to obtain a hearing date, and shall indicate the hearing date in its motion to be served on all parties. Senior Judge Clerk, Shannon, (208)287-7454.

4. Any party requesting a hearing by telephonic or videoconference must file a motion requesting such remote hearing and the Discovery Referee must approve any request for telephonic or videoconference hearing. If such request is not approved by the Discovery Referee, then all hearings will be held in person at the Ada County Courthouse in Boise, Idaho. Any party or parties may request and arrange for the presence of a court reporter, whose fees shall be borne solely by the party or parties requesting the court reporter's services.

5. The parties may contact the Discovery Referee by telephone during a deposition to resolve discovery issues and the Discovery Referee may attend all or portions of any deposition.

6. Decisions made by the Discovery Referee (other than in-deposition decisions) shall be in writing, shall include the reasons for her decision, and shall be filed with the Court. The rulings of the Discovery Referee shall have the same force and effect as an Order of the Court.

7. The parties shall have the right to object to the Discovery Referee's findings as issued in reports. Discovery Referee reports will be approved by the Court unless clearly erroneous.

8. The Discovery Referee may, in her sole discretion, communicate the status of discovery matters to the Court. The Discovery Referee shall advise the parties' counsel of the substance of such communication with the Court.

9. The Discovery Referee shall issue a final report to the Court at the completion of discovery.

10. The Discovery Referee shall serve up to five judicial days in her role as a senior judge and will be compensated for her time through her senior judge service so the parties will not be required to pay her costs or expenses for these five judicial days. This time includes time for writing decisions and reports.



11. The Discovery Referee shall retain copies of all papers submitted to her during her service as Discovery Referee until the final conclusion of the above-entitled action, including all appeals.

DATED 4/24/2023 9:47:45 PM



LYNN G. NORTON
District Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this day I served a copy of the attached to:

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Judge Cheri Copsey

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Dated: 04/25/2023

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